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SUBJECT: SFO-VIII GUIDANCE 006: RESPONSE TO RFG-002 ON  
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Reason: 1.4 (b) and (d).

11. (S) Guidance: In response to Delegation's request for guidance (Ref A), Washington requests that the Delegation draft the texts enumerated below for Washington review and approval prior to tabling with the Russian delegation:

--For a Statement on Vandenberg launchers: Language acceptable to the United States on converted U.S. ICBM launchers at Vandenberg, drawing as appropriate on the Russian proposal in Ref A.

--For a U.S. unilateral statement on missile defense: Language stating that the United States is prepared to address in the Arms Control and International Security Working Group of the Bilateral Presidential Commission all aspects of missile defense, including threat, systems, and cooperation.

12. (S) Once these draft U.S.-proposed texts have been approved by Washington, the Delegation will be in position to pursue an approach including the following elements:

-- A unilateral U.S. statement, or as a fall-back if necessary, an Agreed Statement to supplement the proposed Article V exemption for the five converted ICBM silos at Vandenberg.

--Unilateral statements on missile defense by the United States and Russia, respectively.

--This approach would not include a Joint Statement on missile defense.

End guidance.  
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